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SUBJECT: PROPOSED JOURNALISTS' VISIT SPONSORED BY
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REFERENCE: A) PARIS 31799 B) DEPTTEL 167818

ATTENTION LABOR ATTACHE

1. WOULD EMBASSY PLEASE CONFIRM THAT SPONSORING ORGANIZA-
TION FOR SUBJECT VISIT, SYNDICAT NATIONAL DES JOURNALISTES
NOT IDENTIFIED IN REFTTEL A EXCEPT BY NAME, IS INDEPENDENT
AND NOT CGT AFFILIATE. DEPARTMENT NOTES ORGANIZATION OF
THAT NAME WITH OFFICES AT 9 RUE LOUIS-LE-GRAND PARIS,
INCLUDED IN 1970 LIST OF MAJOR LABOR ORGANIZATIONS NOT
REPEAT NOT AFFILIATED WITH A NATIONAL CENTER. ON OTHER
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HAND, TRADE UNION WITH IDENTICAL NAME INCLUDED IN DIRECTORY

OF CGT AFFILIATES SUBMITTED BY EMBASSY AS ENCLOSURE TO A-251 OF MARCH 6, 1971. THERE IS SIMILAR LISTING FOR SYNDICAT NATIONAL DES JOURNALISTES AS CGT AFFILIATE IN 1974 PUBLICATION "DIRECTORY OF UNIONS IN THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY." IN BOTH OF LATTER CASES ADDRESS SHOWN IS 213 RUE LAFAYETTE. IS IT POSSIBLE THAT THIS JOURNALISTS' ORGANIZATION, ONCE INDEPENDENT IS NOW CGT AFFILIATE, OR PERHAPS VICE VERSA?

2. IN ANY CASE, EMBASSY SHOULD BEAR IN MIND THAT BECAUSE CGT IS PROSCRIBED CATEGORY 2 ORGANIZATION, PER REFTTEL B, ANY OF ITS MEMBERS WHO MIGHT WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN PROPOSED VISIT WOULD BE INELIGIBLE FOR A VISA AND WOULD REQUIRE A WAIVER WHICH WOULD HAVE TO BE CONSIDERED IN WASHINGTON ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS IN CONTEXT OF EXISTING POLICY AGAINST ISSUANCE OF VISAS TO "COMMUNIST LABOR REPRESENTATIVES". KISSINGER

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